

APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM OREGON HOUSE DELEGATION FISCAL YEAR 2010

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FEBRUARY 13, 2009

PLEASE NOTE: As required by the House Appropriations Committee, all requests will be made public on the requesting Member's website.

1. Project Title:

Accelerated Infrastructure Solutions

2. Organization Name and address:

Policy Consensus Initiative
Greg Wolf, Executive Director
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Portland OR, 97214

3. Primary Contact name, phone number, mobile phone number, fax number and email:

4. Project Location Address (if different from Organization):

5. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities, and whether it is a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity:

The Policy Consensus Initiative is a national, non-profit, bipartisan organization located in Portland, Oregon. Our board is made up of governors, legislators and leaders in the field of public policy consensus building. Since 1997, PCI has been assisting state leaders in the use of collaborative approaches to addressing difficult policy issues. The work of PCI has focused extensively on how collaborative systems can be effectively used in states, supporting programs that offer these services, and developing the use of leaders in a convening role to solve public problems. PCI has a University Network for Collaborative Governance that includes 30 centers providing collaborative services to states.

6. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (please keep to 500 words or less.)

This project would create and implement a program to accelerate and streamline governmental reviews of infrastructure projects. Using collaborative governance systems designed by PCI, the program would assist states in convening multiple government agency reviews; coordinating stakeholder engagement as needed; resolving conflicts; and integrating and leveraging supportive public, private, and civic investments to achieve sustainable solutions. Resources would be used to provide skilled project directors with expertise in expedited project development to states and municipalities on short term convening and decision-making efforts. These project directors will utilize the good offices of the University Network for Collaborative Governance in carrying out their work. Their work will also be supported by PCI research and development into effective collaborative governance in its application to public infrastructure issues.

7. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?

No

7a. If yes, please provide fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

8. Federal agency and account from which funds are requested (Please be specific – e.g. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account):

Department of Transportation

9. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

This project is needed in order to expedite infrastructure investments that will create jobs and leverage federal investments with public, private and civic investments in order to make more effective use of infrastructure funds.

10. Have you requested funding for this project from other Members of Congress? If so, who?

No

11. Funding Details:

a. Total project cost (all funding sources and all years):

Department of Transportation over two years - \$900,000

b. Amount being requested for this project in Fiscal Year 2010:

\$450,000

c. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please provide specific dollar amount or percentage.)

Funds will be leveraged as available from state, regional, and local government.

d. Do you expect to request federal funding in future years for this project?

No

e. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project in FY 2010. (e.g. salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):

PCI staff salaries - \$100,000 (system design and program assistance)

Project Directors' salaries - \$300,000

Travel - \$30,000

Supplies - \$20,000 (production and printing of materials, projector and 2 computers)

f. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project

The Policy Consensus Initiative Board of Directors, consisting of governors, legislators, mayors and leaders in the field of public policy consensus building. Oregon Solutions Steering Committee, consisting of representatives from the public, private, and nonprofit sectors.

g. Is this project scalable? (i.e. if partial funding is awarded, will the

organization be able to use the funds in FY 2010?):

Yes